

# Code Connection



Victor Purchase



## VICTOR PURCHASE APPOINTED TO ADTAC

Code Administration is proud to announce the appointment of Inspector Victor Purchase to the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) Amusement Device Technical Advisory Committee (ADTAC).

Purchase was chosen from a field of candidates throughout the

Commonwealth after being chosen by the nomination committee for the DHCD. For the past several years, Purchase has been responsible for inspecting the carnival rides that operate at the Landmark Mall without any reportable accidents or injuries.

To ensure the safe implementation and use of various amusement devices in Virginia, The ADTAC reviews amusement device codes and

present their recommendations for code changes and updates involving amusement devices to the DHCD. Purchase has been a certified Amusement Device Inspector since 2012 and he holds also a certification with the National Association of Amusement Ride Safety Officials.

Congratulations, Victor!

Paul Sood



## PLANS EXAMINER PAUL SOOD RECEIVES PRESTIGIOUS AWARD



Code Administration knows the Value of our lead electrical plans examiner Paul Sood and now the International Association of Electrical Inspectors (IAEI) does as well! At their 79th Annual Meeting and Educational Seminar, the

(IAEI) awarded Sood with the prestigious "Longtime Service Award" The award recognizes his outstanding dedication and leadership in promoting electrical safety through service to IAEI. Previously Sood has

also received The IAEI "Lifetime Membership Award" Paul also represents City of Alexandria and IAEI as a principal member on National Fire Protection Association's Code Making Panel 1.

Congratulations, Paul!

## NEW SAME-DAY SERVICE FOR PERMIT CENTER

As of August 10, permit applications qualifying same day plan review services will be available between 8:00a.m. - 4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday. This change is an effort to

enhance our permit center services for our customers by ensuring qualifying same-day plan review services are provided and permits are issued by close of business each day.

All qualifying same-day services can still be submitted after 4:15 p.m., but will be processed and reviewed on the next business day.

## CODE ADMINISTRATION NEW STAFF

- o **Martin Walsh, Electrical Inspector**  
An electrician with more than 10 years of service and nine accredited certifications.
- o **Maryia Lackansingh, Plans Examiner**  
Maryia was a voting member on the ICC/ANSI A117.1 Committee and she has had a passion for architecture since middle school.
- o **Adam Ward, Plumbing Inspector**  
Has 20 years of experience in Fire Protection Safety.
- o **Felicia Moore, Permit Technician**  
Felicia studied Graphic Design and has had always had a passion for architecture.

## CODE ADMINISTRATION EMPLOYEE CERTIFICATIONS & AWARDS

### Leona Bradford

- o Property Maintenance Housing Inspector
- o Permit Technician

### Allison Cook

- o Commercial Mechanical Inspector
- o Commercial Plumbing Inspector
- o Fuel Gas Inspector
- o Mechanical Plans Examiner

### Lei Fei

- o Residential Building Plans Examiner

### Navdeep Kaur

- o Residential Energy Inspector
- o Residential Energy Plans Examiner
- o Commercial Energy Inspector

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### Alonzo Hicks

- o Mechanical Plans Examiner

### Martin Walsh

- o Residential Electrical Inspector

### Tara Currie-Whitman

- o VCBOA Conference Scholarship

## ALEXANDRIA HOARDING TASK FORCE

The City's has a Hoarding Task Force educates the public on the causes and dangers of hoarding and addresses hoarding complaints from residents. The objective of the task force is to offer support services for individuals and families to prevent, abate and resolve the conditions that present safety and quality-of-life issues to adults engaging in hoarding behaviors and family members and neighbors who are affected by hoarding conditions.

An example of Hoarding



## HOW YOU CAN HELP

If you suspect a hoarding situation in your neighborhood, solve the problem. The best action to take is to contact Adult Protective Services at 703.746.5778. A social worker will respond to your call during regular business hours (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.). To file a complaint for clutter or an accumulation of items on the exterior of a property call '703.746.4357', Monday through Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Hoarding Task Force

- Community and Human Services
- Adult Protective Services
- Mental Health Services
- Code Administration
- City Attorney's Office
- Fire Department
- Emergency Medical Services
- Animal Control

## SPECIAL PROJECTS MANAGEMENT

**2401 Eisenhower Avenue** – National Science Foundation topped out at 19 floors plus penthouse roof in July. Tenant layout of office spaces are near acceptance. Work is scheduled to begin later this summer at exterior wall framing and installation of precast panels. Interior base-building components will be installed

2401 Eisenhower ave worksite



**750 Port Street** – Park Meridian pouring 21st floor of 25 including the penthouse. Currently at framing of exterior and interior walls are underway. This will create 505 new apartments.

750 Port street worksite



**220 S. Union Street** – The Indigo Hotel mobilization has begun this month with the initial demolition phase of the existing warehouse. The facility will accommodate 120 rooms and a restaurant. This new hotel will begin implementation of a new City Waterfront Plan

220 S. Union Street worksite



**1820 Limerick Street** – Alexandria Renew (Formerly Alexandria Sanitation Authority) Tanks, Administration and Connector Buildings have almost completed the concrete phase of construction. This site features a full sized, “turf” soccer field atop waste water processing tanks. Fields are scheduled to be ready by October. The administrative building and the parking garage will be ready by this fall.

1820 Limerick street worksite



## FY15 CODE ADMINISTRATION ACTIVITY REPORT

	FYTD	FYTD Previous Year	% Change FYTD
Total # of Permits/Licenses Issued	11,985	16,245	-26%
Total Fees Collected	7,399,604	8,372,242	-12%
Estimated Const. Cost	404,600,652	546,597,020	-26%

### ENGINEERING REVIEWS

Take in Plan Reviews	4,436	7,540	-41%
Walk-Thru Shops	4,988	2,314	116%
One Stop Shops	330	123	168%
Site Plans/MPA/BAR/BZA etc.	289	329	-12%
Fire Protection Systems	832	1,208	-31%

### INSPECTIONS: NEW CONSTRUCTION

Building	11,967	14,714	-19%
Certificate of Occupancy	2,470	2,239	10%
Demolition	72	127	-43%
Electrical	8,235	8,610	-4%
Fire Protection Systems	3,586	3,369	6%
Mechanical	5,495	5,512	0%
Plumbing	4,344	4,396	-1%
Sign	155	346	-55%
Stop Work Orders	67	116	-42%
Complaint Investigations	305	328	-7%

### INSPECTIONS: PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Pro-Active	5,136	6,031	-15%
Complaints	2,927	2,383	23%
Residential Rental Inspections	3	13	
Violations Issued	2,205	3,069	-28%
Rodent Complaints	132	116	14%
Nuisance Abatement Hotline Calls	49	35	40%